

**House Study Bill 59 - Introduced**

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
ON EDUCATION BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON JORGENSEN)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the concurrent enrollment program between  
2 school districts and community colleges.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 257.11, subsection 3, Code 2015, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. ~~District-to-community college sharing and concurrent~~  
4 Concurrent enrollment programs program.

5 a. In order to provide additional funds for school districts  
6 which send their resident high school pupils to a ~~community~~  
7 ~~college~~ an eligible postsecondary institution for college-level  
8 classes, a supplementary weighting plan for determining  
9 enrollment is adopted.

10 b. If the school budget review committee certifies to the  
11 department of management that the class would not otherwise be  
12 implemented without the assignment of additional weighting,  
13 pupils attending a ~~community college-offered~~ class offered  
14 by an eligible postsecondary institution or attending a  
15 class taught by a ~~community college-employed~~ an instructor  
16 employed by an eligible postsecondary institution are  
17 assigned a weighting of the percentage of the pupil's school  
18 day during which the pupil attends class in ~~the community~~  
19 ~~college~~ an eligible postsecondary institution facility or  
20 attends a class taught by a ~~community college-employed~~ an  
21 instructor employed by an eligible postsecondary institution  
22 times seventy hundredths for career and technical courses or  
23 forty-six hundredths for liberal arts and sciences courses.  
24 The following requirements shall be met for the purposes of  
25 assigning an additional weighting for classes offered through  
26 a sharing agreement between a school district and ~~community~~  
27 ~~college~~ an eligible postsecondary institution. The class must  
28 be:

29 (1) Supplementing, not supplanting, high school courses  
30 required to be offered pursuant to section 256.11, subsection  
31 5.

32 (2) Included in the ~~community college~~ eligible  
33 postsecondary institution's catalog or an amendment or addendum  
34 to the catalog.

35 (3) Open to all ~~registered community college~~ students

1 enrolled in the eligible postsecondary institution, not just  
2 high school students. The class may be offered in a high  
3 school attendance center.

4 (4) For college credit, and the credit must apply toward  
5 an associate of arts or associate of science degree, or  
6 toward an associate of applied arts or associate of applied  
7 science degree, or toward completion of ~~a college~~ an eligible  
8 postsecondary diploma program or certificate.

9 (5) Taught by an instructor who is employed or contracted by  
10 ~~a community college who~~ an eligible postsecondary institution  
11 and who meets the requirements of section 261E.3, subsection 2.

12 (6) Taught utilizing the ~~community college~~ eligible  
13 postsecondary institution's course syllabus.

14 (7) Taught in such a manner as to result in student work and  
15 student assessment ~~which~~ that meet college-level expectations.

16 c. For purposes of this subsection, "eligible postsecondary  
17 institution" means the same as defined in section 261E.2.

18 Sec. 2. Section 257.11, subsection 6, paragraph c, Code  
19 2015, is amended to read as follows:

20 c. A school district receiving a virtual class for a pupil  
21 from a community college an eligible postsecondary institution,  
22 which class meets the sharing agreement requirements in  
23 subsection 3, shall receive a supplemental funding weighting  
24 of one-twentieth of the percentage of the pupil's school day  
25 during which the pupil attends the virtual class.

26 Sec. 3. Section 257.11, subsection 6, paragraph d,  
27 subparagraph (2), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

28 (2) A class provided by ~~a community college~~ an eligible  
29 postsecondary institution to a pupil in a school district via  
30 the Iowa communications network's video services.

31 Sec. 4. Section 261E.1, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
32 2015, is amended to read as follows:

33 b. Community college Postsecondary credit courses offered  
34 through written sharing agreements between school districts and  
35 ~~community colleges~~ eligible postsecondary institutions.

1     Sec. 5. Section 261E.2, subsection 1, Code 2015, is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3     1. "*Concurrent enrollment*" means any course offered to  
4 students in grades nine through twelve during the regular  
5 school year approved by the board of directors of a school  
6 district through a contractual agreement between a ~~community~~  
7 ~~college~~ an eligible postsecondary institution and the  
8 school district that meets the provisions of section 257.11,  
9 subsection 3.

10    Sec. 6. Section 261E.8, Code 2015, is amended to read as  
11 follows:

12    **~~261E.8 District-to-community college sharing or concurrent~~**  
13 **Concurrent enrollment program.**

14    1. A ~~district-to-community college sharing or concurrent~~  
15 enrollment program is established to be administered by the  
16 department to promote rigorous academic or career and technical  
17 pursuits and to provide a wider variety of options to high  
18 school students to enroll part-time in eligible nonsectarian  
19 courses at or through ~~community colleges established under~~  
20 ~~chapter 260C~~ eligible postsecondary institutions. The program  
21 shall be made available to all resident students in grades nine  
22 through twelve. Notice of the availability of the program  
23 shall be included in a school district's student registration  
24 handbook and the handbook shall identify which courses, if  
25 successfully completed, generate college credit under the  
26 program. A student and the student's parent or legal guardian  
27 shall also be made aware of this program as a part of the  
28 development of the student's core curriculum plan in accordance  
29 with section 279.61.

30    2. Students from accredited nonpublic schools and students  
31 receiving competent private instruction or independent private  
32 instruction under chapter 299A may access the program through  
33 the school district in which the accredited nonpublic school or  
34 private institution is located.

35    3. A student may make application to a ~~community college~~

1 an eligible postsecondary institution and the school district  
2 to allow the student to enroll for college credit in a  
3 nonsectarian course offered by the ~~community college~~ eligible  
4 postsecondary institution. A comparable course, as defined in  
5 rules adopted by the board of directors of the school district,  
6 must not be offered by the school district or accredited  
7 nonpublic school which the student attends. The school board  
8 shall annually approve courses to be made available for high  
9 school credit using locally developed criteria that establishes  
10 which courses will provide the student with academic rigor  
11 and will prepare the student adequately for transition to a  
12 postsecondary institution. If a ~~community college~~ an eligible  
13 postsecondary institution accepts a student for enrollment  
14 under this section, the school district, in collaboration with  
15 the ~~community college~~ eligible postsecondary institution, shall  
16 send written notice to the student, the student's parent or  
17 legal guardian in the case of a minor child, and the student's  
18 school district. The notice shall list the course, the clock  
19 hours the student will be attending the course, and the number  
20 of hours of college credit that the student will receive from  
21 the ~~community college~~ eligible postsecondary institution upon  
22 successful completion of the course.

23 4. A school district shall grant high school credit to  
24 a student enrolled in a course under this chapter if the  
25 student successfully completes the course as determined by the  
26 ~~community college~~ eligible postsecondary institution and the  
27 course was previously approved by the school board pursuant to  
28 subsection 3. The board of directors of the school district  
29 shall determine the number of high school credits that shall be  
30 granted to a student who successfully completes a course.

31 5. ~~District to community college sharing agreements~~  
32 ~~or concurrent~~ Concurrent enrollment programs that meet the  
33 requirements of section 257.11, subsection 3, are eligible for  
34 funding under that provision.

35 6. ~~Community colleges~~ Eligible postsecondary institutions

1 shall comply with the data collection requirements of ~~section~~  
2 ~~260C.14, subsection 21~~ the department in the manner and form  
3 prescribed by the department.

4 7. A student enrolled in a career and technical course  
5 made available pursuant to subsection 1 is exempt from the  
6 proficiency requirements of section 261E.3, subsection 1,  
7 paragraph "e". However, ~~a community college~~ an eligible  
8 postsecondary institution may require a student who applies for  
9 enrollment under a ~~district to community college sharing or~~  
10 concurrent enrollment program to complete an initial assessment  
11 administered by the ~~community college~~ eligible postsecondary  
12 institution receiving the application to determine the  
13 applicant's readiness to enroll in career and technical  
14 coursework, and the ~~community college~~ eligible postsecondary  
15 institution may deny the enrollment.

16 8. The state board, in collaboration with the board of  
17 directors of each community college, the state board of  
18 regents, and individuals representing accredited private  
19 institutions as defined in section 261.9 shall adopt rules that  
20 clearly define data and information elements to be collected  
21 related to the senior year plus programming, including  
22 concurrent enrollment courses. The data elements shall include  
23 but not be limited to the following:

24 a. The course title and whether the course supplements,  
25 rather than supplants, a school district course.

26 b. An unduplicated enrollment count of eligible students  
27 participating in the program.

28 c. The actual costs and revenues generated for concurrent  
29 enrollment. An aligned unique student identifier system  
30 shall be established by the department for students in  
31 kindergarten through grade twelve and ~~community college~~  
32 eligible postsecondary institutions.

33 d. Degree, certifications, and other qualifications to meet  
34 the minimum hiring standards.

35 e. Salary information including regular contracted salary

1 and total salary.

2 *f.* Credit hours and laboratory contact hours and other data  
3 on instructional time.

4 *g.* Other information comparable to the data regarding  
5 teachers collected in the basic education data survey.

6 Sec. 7. Section 423F.3, subsection 3, paragraph c, Code  
7 2015, is amended to read as follows:

8 *c.* The board of directors may use funds received under  
9 the operation of this chapter for a joint infrastructure  
10 project with one or more school districts or one or more  
11 school districts and ~~a community college established under~~  
12 ~~chapter 260C~~ an eligible postsecondary institution as defined  
13 in section 261E.2, for which buildings or facilities are  
14 constructed or leased for the purpose of offering classes under  
15 a ~~district-to-community college sharing agreement or concurrent~~  
16 enrollment program that meets the requirements for funding  
17 under section 257.11, subsection 3. If the board intends to  
18 use funds received under the operation of this chapter for  
19 such a joint infrastructure project, the board shall adopt a  
20 revenue purpose statement or amend an existing revenue purpose  
21 statement, subject to approval of the electors, stating the  
22 proposed use of the funds.

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#### EXPLANATION

24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

26 This bill allows regents universities and accredited  
27 private institutions to participate in the concurrent  
28 enrollment program administered by the department of education.  
29 Currently, the program provides supplementary weighting for  
30 school districts that send their resident high school pupils to  
31 a community college for college-level classes.

32 The bill allows school districts to receive supplementary  
33 weighting under the concurrent enrollment program and, by  
34 operation of law, the senior year plus program for sending  
35 resident students to eligible postsecondary institutions

1 for college-level courses. A school district that provides  
2 a virtual class to a pupil through a concurrent enrollment  
3 program with an eligible postsecondary institution via the  
4 Iowa communications network also qualifies for supplementary  
5 weighting under the bill. The bill defines "eligible  
6 postsecondary institution" to mean community colleges, regents  
7 universities, and accredited private institutions.

8 The bill allows one or more school districts to use statewide  
9 school infrastructure funding for a joint infrastructure  
10 project with an eligible postsecondary institution. Currently,  
11 only community colleges can partner with a school district on  
12 such a project.

13 The bill eliminates references to "district-to-community  
14 college sharing", and makes a corresponding change to a  
15 reference relating to statewide school infrastructure funding,  
16 and to a provision for supplemental funding for virtual  
17 classes that meet the requirements of the concurrent enrollment  
18 program.